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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1993 without my signature.

AB 1993 would amend the definition of "employment" for the purposes of unemployment insurance coverage to include services performed by an individual in the employ of their parent, child, or spouse if that individual is a provider of In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) or Waiver Personal Care Services (WPCS). As a result, it will result in significant new borrowing of federal funds to the Unemployment Insurance fund, increasing interest costs borne by the state General Fund that were not included in the 2020 Budget and cannot be considered in conjunction with the full home health care budget.

Expanding benefits and protections for home health care workers is critical, especially in light of the COVID-19 pandemic but these expansions must be developed through the budget process when new investments can be viewed through the lens of the state's full home health care budget.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newson